

AMENDMENTS TO THE ABSTRACT

Please amend the Abstract on page 31 as follows:

The invention relates to a flame-retardant mixture for lignocellulose composites ~~comprising~~having from 60 to 90% by mass of particulate ~~and/or~~ fibrous lignocellulose materials and from 40 to 10% by mass of a flame retardant concentrate immobilized on ~~and/or~~ in the particulate ~~and/or~~ fibrous lignocellulose materials as carriers, ~~and consisting of~~The flame retardants ~~of the type consisting of~~are boric acids ~~and/or~~ the salts thereof. Also, melamine resins and optionally synergistic agents and further additives ~~may be present, the flame retardants being present chemically coupled to the melamine resins, and the flame retardant concentrates being present immobilized on and/or in the carrier substance of the particulate and/or fibrous lignocellulose materials as carriers.~~ The preparation of the flame-retardant mixture can be effected by a liquid impregnation process, a melt impregnation process and a liquid impregnation/solids mixing process. ~~Flameproofed lignocellulose composites can be produced by melt processing of mixtures of from 40 to 95% by mass of flame retardant and from 60 to 5% by mass of thermosetting prepolymers with curing of the thermosetting plastics.~~ In the form of flame-retardant semifinished products and molding materials, the lignocellulose composites have high resistance to insect infestation, fungal infestation and mold infestation and high resistance to washing out of the flame-retardant mixture and are preferably suitable for applications in outdoor use in the building and leisure sector.

A copy of the amended Abstract of the Disclosure is attached hereto for insertion into the application.